FLD 374 Approved from Retrase 2002/01/10: CIA-RDP80-00810A002300400004-8 SECURITY INFORMATION East Germany REPORT NO ... COUNTRY -25X1A Brandis Airfield 25X1A see below PLACE OBTAINED. EVALUATION\_ 25X1A DATE OF CONTENT\_ 4 August 1953 DATE PREPARED. DATE OBTAINED. REFERENCES. 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) REMARKS\_\_\_ 25X1X SOURCE The following observations were made at Brandis alrfield between 30 June and 6 July 1953: 30 June. Flights were made by 26 Li-2s and 2 twin-engine planes towing cargo siders, which were absent from the field for 3 hours each time. 1 July. There was night flying by Il-10s. 2 July. The transport planes and six twin-engine planes with cargo gliders flew for 2 hours. 4 July. Three sorties were flown by 37 Li-2s and 6 twin-engine planes with cargo gliders. The Nos 06, 1, 5, 9, 22, 23, 26, 27 and 32 were observed on aircraft involved. 5 July. One sortie was flown by the same aircraft. 6 July. Local flights were made. Aircraft observed at the field included 37 Li-2s, 32 I1-10s, 6 twin engine planes, 6 cargo gliders, 4 Po-2s and 1 Yak-14. About 1,000 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets and motor vehicles were observed in the woods southeast of the field. Motor 25X1B were observed entering coicles and leaving the field. 25X1B No air activity by twin-engine planes and cargo gliders was observed at the field between 10 and 13 July. Comment. Between 19 June and about 10 July 1953, Brandis airfield was occupied 25X1A by a transport regiment and 6 II-12s with one cargo glider each, in addition to southeast of the field, which units of the 20th Mecz Div from the Jena/Weimar area and to the 39th uds Mtz Rifle

the ground attack regiment previously stationed there. The army troops observed 25X1B Div from Plauen, probably were involved in air landing and transport exercises held by the air transport regiment and the cargo gliders. The transports probably landed at Erfurt-Bindersleben airfield as was also observed in the preceding year. See

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